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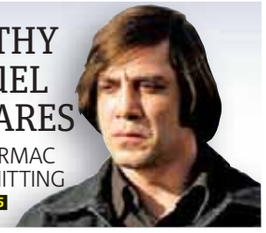

Josh Paterson, executive director of the B.C. Civil Liberties Association, speaks at a news conference on Tuesday. The BCCLA claims in a lawsuit that a federal agency is violating charter rights by intercepting Canadians' electronic communications. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

BCCLA sues feds over surveillance

CSEC. Agency's electronic snooping constitutes an infringement on Canadians' charter right to freedom from unreasonable search and seizure, lawsuit claims

The B.C. Civil Liberties Association (BCCLA) filed a lawsuit on Tuesday against the Canadian government, alleging that the federal agency responsible for electronic spying is illegally intercepting Canadians' phone calls, emails and text messages.

Caily DiPuma, staff counsel for the BCCLA, claimed that Communications Security Establishment Canada (CSEC) has been obtaining communications between Canadians and non-Canadians who are outside the country since 2001.

Under federal law, CSEC can obtain secret authorizations from the minister of national defence to intercept these messages, as long as the primary target is a non-citizen.

"There is no court or parliamentary committee that monitors their interception of these private communications, and there is no judicial oversight of these sweeping powers," DiPuma said.

"This secret and unchecked surveillance of Canadians is unconstitutional, it must be stopped, and that is why the BCCLA has filed this lawsuit."

The lawsuit also aims to force the government to divulge how CSEC collects Canadians' metadata, which is the information created every time a cellphone call is made, an email is sent or the Internet is searched. CSEC has had the power on and off to collect metadata from Canadians without a warrant since 2001.

The suit calls on the government to "state clearly who is watching, what is being collected and how it is handling Canadians' private communications and information."

When asked why the BCCLA is filing this lawsuit now as opposed to after 9/11 when the measures were first introduced, DiPuma said the political climate has changed.

"There's no doubt that the recent (Edward) Snowden revelations dealing with the National Security (Agency) in the U.S. has sparked a global debate," she said.

"We really feel that the political will is there. The Canadian people are asking questions … and the time is now."

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Feds' response

CSEC spokeswoman Lauri Sullivan did not answer an emailed question from Metro about whether Canada would consider instituting U.S.-style judicial oversight of secret surveillance between Canadians and non-Canadians.

- "Under the law, this organization is prohibited from targeting Canadians," was all she wrote.

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Trade mission

City prepares to rub elbows across China

Animators, ballerinas, lawyers and app developers will accompany Vancouver's mayor on the city's largest ever trade mission to China in November.

The two-week trip to four cities will be a business-to-business version of speed dating, with a delegation of more than 180 people traveling to shake hands, try to drum up business and build relationships with more than 600 locals expected to attend the events.

"There will be business coming out of this trip, there's no question about that," Vancouver Economic Commission CEO Ian McKay told city council Tuesday.

Attendees include two city councillors, nine city staff, more than 130 Chinese-Canadian community leaders and at least 18 businesses, including Nerd Corps Entertainment (an animation studio), Avigilon (a surveillance company), Indochino (a custom clothing retailer) and the UBC Faculty of Medicine.

The trip will cost the VEC and the city $275,000, with additional sponsorship from Gowlings law firm and KPMG.

It's hard to calculate the exact economic benefit of such missions, McKay said — some studies say they have zero return — but Mayor Gregor Robertson said the city has seen success before in London and with its sister city Guangzhou.

Robertson hopes the trip will promote economic ties with the city's clean tech, health sciences, architecture, tourism and creative industries.

The trip will also feature the third soccer match between Guangzhou and Vancouver — so far, the series is tied 1-1.

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Sea otter recovering from gunshot wounds

Vancouver Aquarium staff member Lindsaye Akhurst wipes down an injured sea otter in its pool at the Marine Mammal Rescue Centre on Tuesday. The otter, who suffered gunshot wounds to his head and body, was rescued from Tofino last week. For the full story and photos, visit metronews.ca.

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City likens mental-health crisis to AIDS epidemic

Downtown Eastside. Psychiatrist says crisis may be worse due to difficulty of treatment

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The mental-health crisis in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside is as big and ugly as the HIV/AIDS and drug crisis in the 1990s, city council heard Tuesday.

It's not the city's responsibility to deal with health care, but "we're right there in the trenches," city manager Penny Ballem said as she outlined Vancouver's plan to launch a task force on mental health and addiction, modelled after the Four Pillars Coalition that dealt with drugs.

St. Paul's Hospital emergency room has seen a 43 per cent increase in patients with severe mental illness or addiction since 2010 and is "not unlike a warzone," Ballem said.

There has also been a significant increase in arrests of people who were at risk to themselves or others under the Mental Health Act, Ballem said.

"It's fair to say our chief constable is running the mental health system," she said.

But dealing with this will be a "larger challenge" than HIV/AIDS and opiate overdoses, as there aren't highly effective treatments such as antiretroviral medications or solutions like Insite, the supervised injection site, said Dr. William Horner, head of UBC's psychiatry department.

Most of the drugs at issue are cheap stimulants such as crack cocaine and crystal meth, Horner said. The combination of these drugs and mental-health issues such as schizophrenia is what complicates this particular crisis, he said.

Horner is optimistic the task force will find solutions by following the same process as the HIV/AIDS crisis, so long as investments and innovation follows.

The task force, which the mayor will work to develop in the next few weeks, is set to meet in December.

So far the city, the police, Vancouver Coastal Health and the province seem to agree the solution lies in some form of housing or long-term care, but it's unclear what that will look like or who will pay.

Wrong person for the job

"It's fair to say our chief constable is running the mental-health system."

City manager Penny Ballem, explaining the increase in arrests made by Vancouver police under the Mental Health Act in the Downtown Eastside

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Hipsters admire what appears to be a vintage camera at the second annual Hipster Olympics in 2012 in Berlin. ADAM BERRY/GETTY

Evidently, hipster is a full-time job

'Hipster Randy'. Craigslist ad posted by Voltage Entertainment is seeking a 'brand ambassador'

Wow

"(Hipster Randy) is stylish and shops at unconventional places such as vintage stores and thrift shops.... His hobbies could include ... attending concerts."
Craigslist ad

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Remember those bus ads commissioned by the province last fall that proclaimed, to the chagrin of many: "Hipster is not a full-time job?"

Well, in your face, Jobs Ministry, because apparently it is and it pays $2,500 a month — and includes wheels.

Vancouver seems to be gaining a new employment sector for those of the plaid-clad, mustachioed persuasion, most recently confirmed by a job posting on Craigslist for a "brand ambassador" named "Hipster Randy."

"Randy is an outgoing, mature individual who's the life of the party," the ad reads.

"He's charming, witty, and creative. Some of his interests could include indie music, blogging and movies.

"He's stylish and shops at unconventional places such as vintage stores and thrift shops. He's into independent culture and prides himself on this. His hobbies could include blogging, attending concerts, and watching movies."

Yup, that's a hipster alright.

The Oct. 8 job posting could bring the number of legit hipster gigs in Vancouver into the double digits, depending on how talks go with networks currently considering the much-hyped upcoming reality show, The Real Hipsters of Vancouver.

Co-creator Britt Irvin told Metro the L.A. production company that bought her idea could cast anywhere from four to 15 hand-picked local hipsters, who were shortlisted this spring from among more than 100 applicants.

Voltage Entertainment, the modelling agency hiring "Hipster Randy," did not respond to an interview request from Metro, but its website says it typically hires women to represent products at events, in clubs, in photo shoots and on the street.

The Craigslist ad says Hipster Randy must be certified to serve alcohol, have a driver's license, and be tech- and social-media-savvy.

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Police: Canadian fugitive suspect in sex assault

Seattle. Michael Sean Stanley was released from Canadian jail in April 2011 after completing sentence for assault and forcible confinement

Michael Sean Stanley
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Authorities say they believe a high-risk sex offender who fled Canada may be the suspect in the sexual assault of a 16-year-old boy.

In a news release Tuesday, Seattle police said they were told that Michael Stanley met the teen at a grocery store and walked with him to an alley.

"Stanley plied the teen with alcohol, grabbed the teen and sexually assaulted him," police alleged.

"The 16-year-old pulled a knife on Stanley and was able to run to another location and contact police."

Soon after, police said, they received several reports of a man yelling in an alley.

They said Stanley threatened to assault a person who told him to be quiet.

"When police arrived at the scene, they found Stanley, who became combative with officers and claimed he had a knife."

Police said officers found a small knife on Stanley, who appeared to be drunk. They arrested him for harassment and later learned about the alleged sex assault. They expected to re-book Stanley on additional charges.

"Authorities are now working to determine how this will impact his offender status."

Stanley entered the U.S. earlier this month as Canadian police were searching for the 48-year-old. On Oct. 1, the electronic monitoring bracelet he had been wearing was cut off and found on the roof of a business in Lloydminster on the Alberta-Saskatchewan boundary.

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Duffy: PM valued 'base' over 'truth'

'Monstrous conspiracy.'
Senator claims he was told by Stephen Harper's office to pay back $90,000 'or else'

Mike Duffy says Stephen Harper's office orchestrated a "monstrous conspiracy" aimed at snuffing out controversy over his Senate expenses because the prime minister was more interested in appeasing his Conservative base than he was in the truth.

Duffy delivered a riveting and often biting speech to his Senate colleagues Tuesday, spinning a tale of "conspiracy" and allegations of "bribery, threats and extortion of a sitting legislator."

He, along with former Tory colleagues Pamela Wallin and Patrick Brazeau, was on hand to defend himself against a motion to suspend him from the Senate without pay for "gross negligence" in the management of their expenses.

Duffy described a February caucus meeting with Harper and his then chief of staff, Nigel Wright, during which the senator pleaded his innocence.

"But the prime minister wasn't interested in explanations or the truth," Duffy said, recounting what Harper himself told him.

"'It's not about what you did,"' Duffy quoted Harper as saying. "'It's about the perception of what you did that's been created in the media. The rules are inexplicable to our base' … I was ordered by the prime minister to pay the money back, end of discussion."

Duffy said he spoke by telephone several times with Wright, repeatedly insisting that to "pay back money I didn't owe would destroy my reputation."

"The PMO piled on the pressure," he continued. "Finally, the message from the PMO became, 'Do what we want — or else."' THE CANADIAN PRESS

Senators Mike Duffy, left, Pamela Wallin and Patrick Brazeau arrive on Parliament Hill in Ottawa Tuesday.
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Facebook to warn users of violent content

Controversy. Violent news content poses particularly thorny questions for a website that allows children as young as 13 to join

Facebook announced Tuesday it was working on new ways to keep users from stumbling across gruesome content on its website following an outcry over the discovery of beheading videos there.

The controversy — which has drawn critical comment from British Prime Minister David Cameron — illustrates the difficulty of setting a universal standard across the social network used by one 1 billion people. Facing sharp criticism, Facebook Inc. issued a statement clarifying that violent videos were only allowed if they were presented as news or held up as atrocities to be condemned.

Censorship

"Films about beheadings may be deeply upsetting and offensive, but they do expose the reality of violent acts that are taking place in the world today."

Sean Gallagher, of the London-based free speech group Index on Censorship

"If they were being celebrated, or the actions in them encouraged, our approach would be different," the company said in a statement. "However, since some people object to graphic video of this nature, we are working to give people additional control over the content they see. This may include warning them in advance that the image they are about to see contains graphic content."

Facebook banned beheading videos in May but recently lifted the prohibition — a development flagged by the BBC on Monday.

A few groups have since condemned the social network for potentially exposing users to the violent content.

Cameron said Tuesday allowing the beheading videos back on Facebook was "irresponsible."

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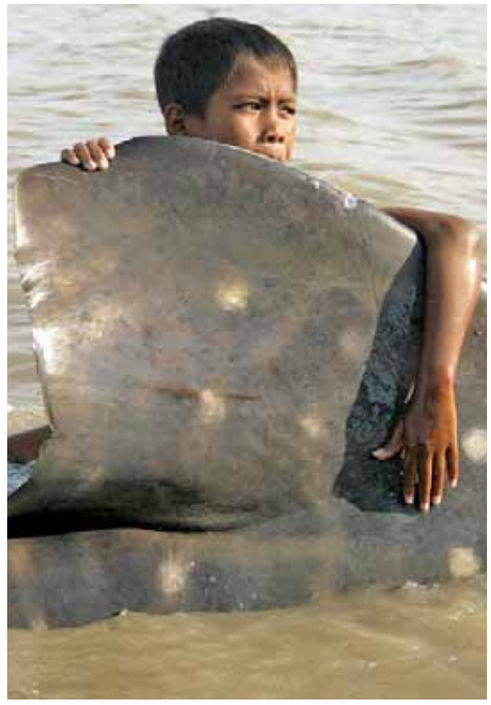

Whale shark rescue

An Indonesian youth clings onto the dorsal fin of a beached whale shark as fishermen prepare to pull it back to the sea at Kenjeran beach in Surabaya, East Java, Indonesia, on Tuesday. The shark survived and was successfully released back into the sea.

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Howzat! Vatican to field a cricket team

Bid for dialogue with other faiths. Pope Francis and the Vatican have long championed sports as good for mind, body and soul

The Vatican served tea and cucumber sandwiches Tuesday as it launched its first cricket club, an initiative aimed at forging ties with teams of other faiths.

No, Pope Francis isn't taking up the sport. The cricket club is the latest initiative of the Vatican's culture ministry to use sports to engage in dialogue with the contemporary world.

Australia's ambassador to the Holy See, John McCarthy, was the brainchild behind the initiative and said he hopes the St. Peter's Cricket Club will field a team to play the Church of England at Lord's sometime next fall.

He said the aim is to boost interfaith dialogue, given cricket's immense popularity in largely non-Catholic India, Pakistan and Bangladesh. It would be a "very special occasion" if seminarians from Rome's pontifical universities might one day play students at Muslim or Hindu religious schools on the subcontinent, he said.

The Vatican already has its Clericus Cup soccer tournament, which pitches the Swiss Guards against seminarians from the North American College and other teams.

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The Vatican aims to forge ties with other faiths through cricket.
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NADbank. 13% more readers pick up Metro

More Vancouverites are turning to Metro Vancouver for their daily news — many more.

Metro Vancouver is read by 640,000 weekly, an increase of 13 per cent over the previous year, according to results released yesterday by the Newspaper Audience Databank (NADbank).

"Our growth over the past few years in the Vancouver market has been very strong," said Steve Shrout, Vice-President and Group Publisher, Metro Western Canada. "Vancouver continues to show support for our product and we are happy to be recognized as a credible news provider here."

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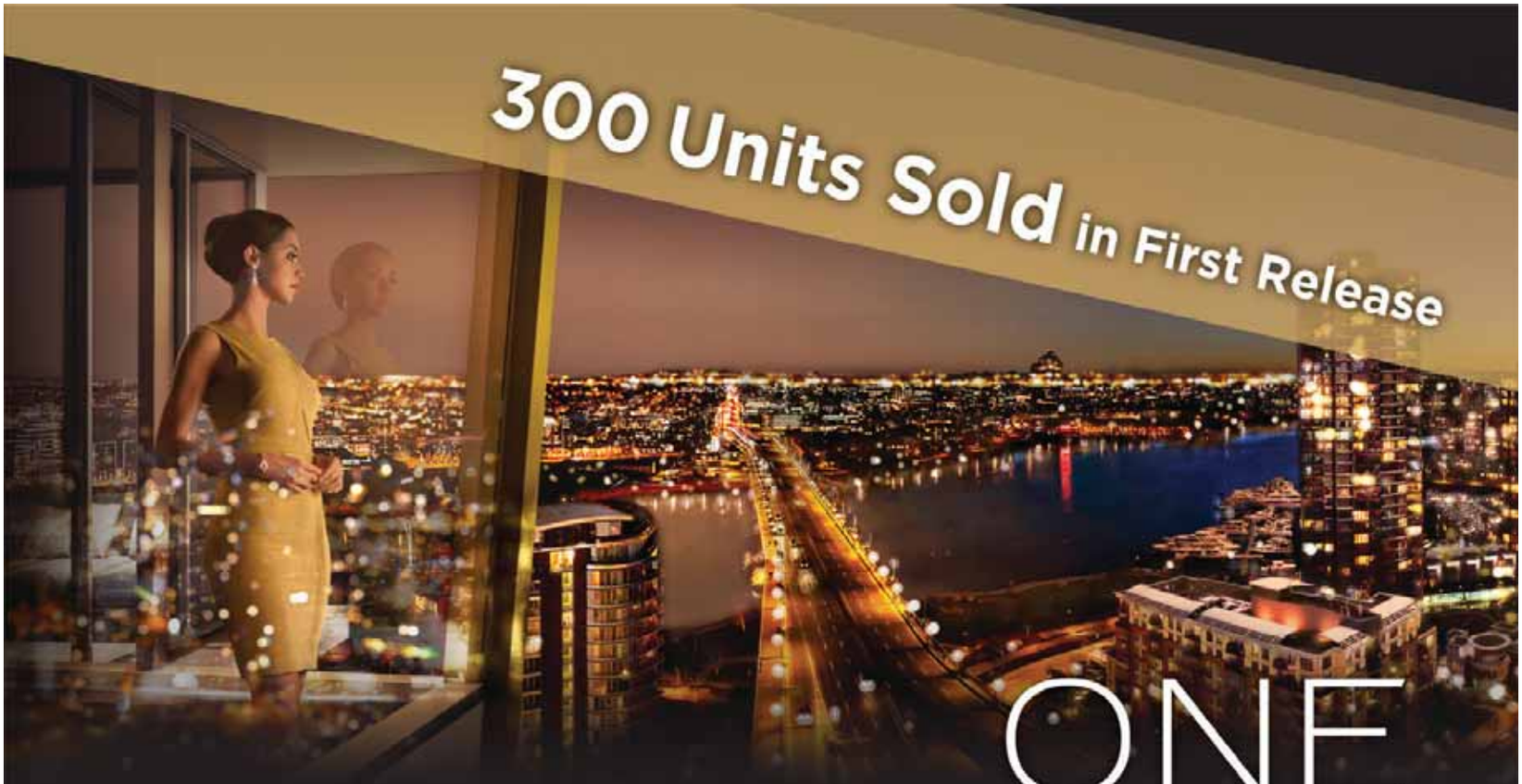

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Apple ups ante to get your spending dollars

The tech giant is refreshing its iPad lineup and slashing the price of its Mac computers ahead of the holiday shopping season

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iPad Air sheds 0.4 pounds

A thinner, lighter iPad Air will go on sale Nov. 1 and start at $499.

It weighs just one pound, compared with 1.4 pounds for the previous version. Apple marketing chief Phil Schiller called the tablet a "screaming fast iPad." He said it is eight times faster than the iPad that came out in 2010.

MacBook prices drop, but will still cost a pretty penny

A new, 13-inch MacBook Pro with Retina display is thinner and lighter, Apple marketing chief Phil Schiller said, with up to nine hours of battery life — enough to watch the entire trilogy of The Dark Knight on one charge.

The notebook's new price is lower: $1,299, compared with $1,499.

Mavericks OS focuses on apps

Apple's latest computer operating system, Mavericks, is available free of charge. New features will allow users to respond to notifications from other apps without leaving the app they are using, and will come with new maps and iBooks apps.

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Let's get nasty.

As in zombies, vampires, ghosts, goblins, warlocks, witches, Kim Kardashian and Miley Cyrus.

Yes, it's that most politically incorrect time of year: Halloween.

Proof that Halloween is not good-for-you-like-tofu is easy to come by:

1. The Miley Cyrus twerking outfit from the MTV video awards is the hottest selling Halloween costume of the year (according to the costume chain Spirit Halloween).

2. School principals across North America keep trying to ban Halloween because it's: not safe, religiously objectionable, racist, sexist and it rots your teeth.

3. It's big business. Halloween spending in the U.S. will reach $6.9 billion this year, according to the National Retail Federation. Scary!

Still, Halloween in all its gory manages to survive intact. People simply like to pretend they're bad. They dress up like celebrities (Miley, Kim Kardashian), comic book heroes (Wolverine, Iron Man), cartoons (the Minions from Despicable Me), newsmakers (Osama bin Laden) and sex symbols (Marilyn Monroe, Osama bin Laden).

Whoa? Osama Bin Laden is a sex symbol?

Believe it or not, you can buy a sexy Osama costume online, along with a sexy Hazmat suit from Breaking Bad, a sexy pizza costume and a sexy Barney the Dinosaur costume.

There's no doubt, according to various Halloweenologists, that, zombies and wolverines aside, sexy is the No. 1 trend for Trick or Treat 2013. And if you think the Miley Cyrus twerking costume is in bad taste, how about "Naughty Leopard" for two-year-old girls? The costume looks innocuous enough, if you think black lace on your two-year-old is innocuous; but what's with the "Naughty Leopard" label? The costume bears no resemblance to a leopard, naughty or otherwise. It's wrong on so many levels.

Every year, a Naughty Leopard or some other new wretched Halloween excess is revealed by an eager media. That's the point. Halloween is rude, offensive and over the top. It's also a lot of fun.

I can hear the killjoys now. Yeah, it's fun until someone gets hurt. And every year, someone gets hurt, at least psychologically. I'll never forget the year my six-year-old son decided he'd dress up as a three-headed zombie. Once the costume and makeup were complete, he took one look in the mirror and burst into tears. He spent the rest of the evening dialled down as a "snasty pirate."

But the effort to clean up Halloween is just as scary as the offending festival itself. The vast majority of Halloween hijinks are harmless and delightful, so the trick is to take a deep breath and the treat is a big bag of candy. That will rot your teeth for sure.

That evil, cackling sound is not Osama bin Laden or Miley Cyrus.

It's your dentist.

ZOOM

Look-alikes demand a double take

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Fake royal family enjoys bath time

Just before little Prince George's christening, the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge appear to enjoy bonding time with their new arrival.

In this intimate photo, William and Kate are bathing their baby, but on closer inspection, they are all look-alikes. This amusing image was taken by photographer Alison Jackson. **METRO**

From behind the lens

"I want my photos to burst a bubble constructed within the media that celebrities don't lead normal private lives. I want to show that they actually do." Alison Jackson, photographer

Don't believe everything you see

While many see their comical value, Jackson's view of her images has more serious overtones. "Jackson raises questions about whether we can believe what we see when we live in a mediated world of screens, imagery and Internet," her bio reads. "She comments on the power and seductive nature of imagery, and on our need to believe." **METRO**

Number of duplicates

5

is the number of look-alikes Jackson has at her service for Kate, the Duchess of Cambridge.
"I have one in particular who is a dead ringer — she's identical in photographs taken from all angles," Jackson said. The next impersonator Jackson is hunting for is of U.S. actor-pop star Miley Cyrus. "If you do know someone, I would be very grateful if you could contact me!" she appealed to Metro.

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Carcasses belonging to a huge deep-sea dweller — "oarfish" to modern know-it-alls, "sea serpents" to yesteryear sailors — have been drawing the curious since appearing in California last week. That's a sadly prohibitive distance for Canadian bizarre-creature enthusiasts. Happily, these blogs are more accessible.

An oarfish that washed up on the beach in California. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Real Monstrosities:

It's immediately clear the curators of this blog are more into weird critters than they are web design, but that's quickly forgiven amid videos of creepy crawlies like wrap-around spiders and the badger bat, which is actually pretty cute. (realmonstrosities.com)

The Artful Amoeba:

A corner of Scientific American dedicated to the tiny (plankton), the mind-bending (deep-sea oddities) and the unfairly overlooked (um, horse-dung fungus). The updates can be few, but there's a lot of surprising life there to catch up on. (scientificamerican.com)

Living Alongside Wildlife:

Dedicated to the sometimes dangerous animals that share the spaces we live in and busting the myths that surround them. However, the real stars of the show here are the rich answers to "what the heck is this thing in my house?" emails from readers. (livingalongsidewildlife.com)

Twitter

@metropicks asked: A surfer fended off a shark by punching it. What would be your first instinct on seeing a shark?

@crazycoach21: First Thought? Sorry Mom, clean underwear isn't in the cards today!

@Cazzy: Flee from the incoming tornado.

@twotalkingdogs: First instinct: swim away fast...very fast.

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Cormac who? Hollywood brings a literary heavyweight to the masses

McCarthy movies.
Author's memorably dark characters come to life with this year's releases of Child of God and The Counselor

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Cormac McCarthy may not be a household name around your place, unless you live with the Coen Brothers or maybe with the Pitts.

Literary critic Harold Bloom called the writer one of the four major American novellists of his time, and he has two all-star movies set for release, which may make his name a little more commonplace.

Later in 2013 James Franco directs, scripts and stars in Child of God, an adaptation of McCarthy's 1973 novel about "a dispossessed, violent man whose life is a disastrous attempt to exist outside the social order."

This weekend a star-studded cast lead by Brad Pitt, Cameron Diaz and Michael Fassbender headline The Counselor, directed by Ridley Scott.

Producer Steve Schwartz says the story of a lawyer in over his head after dipping his toe into the drug trade "may be one of McCarthy's most disturbing and powerful works."

And that's saying something about the writer who gave us a character like No Country for Old Men's killing machine Anton Chigurh. Empireonline.com warned that when McCarthy throws "a dark character at you, it's a safe assumption that you're not going to be able to get them out of your head for a good, long while — if ever."

Cormac McCarthy wrote the screenplay for The Counselor, which stars Brad Pitt and Michael Fassbender. CONTRIBUTED

As written by McCarthy and played by Javier Bardem, who earned an Academy Award for best supporting actor for the part, Chigurh is merciless, a murderer who makes life and death decisions with the flip of a coin.

Stuck in your head

"(When McCarthy throws) a dark character at you, it's a safe assumption that you're not going to be able to get them out of your head for a good, long while — if ever." Empireonline.com

The Road, a 2007 Pulitzer Prize winner for fiction, is another disturbing McCarthy novel adapted for the big screen.

The story is simple. A man and his son (Viggo Mortenson and Kodi Smit-McPhee) try to survive in a dystopian world. Armed with only a gun and two bullets, they must scavenge for food amid the ruins and protect themselves from cannibals who roam the desolate land.

Javier Bardem played a murderer in No Country for Old Men. CONTRIBUTED

The Road is a movie based on small moments set against a big backdrop. No parent will be able to forget the stark image of seeing a young boy who doesn't know what a can of Coke is or a father teaching his son how to commit suicide.

It's tough, no-nonsense work from a writer who says he's "not that big a fan of exotic foreign films," especially movies with magical realism. "You know, it's hard enough to get people to believe what you're telling them without making it impossible," he says. "It has to be vaguely plausible."

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Ronan Farrow

So Sinatra was my dad? No biggie

Ronan Farrow is doing his best to weather the attention kicked up after his mother, Mia Farrow, told Vanity Fair that Frank Sinatra might actually be his father instead of Woody Allen. "Of course, it is a distraction. But I take it in stride. Look, we all have our family histories to bear," he tells Vulture about the story. "I appreciate how hilarious it is. I mean, it's a ridiculous situation. That said, I'm pretty unfazed by it in substance, because it's been out there both publicly and privately for so long."

The Word

Kimye is officially official

THE WORD
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OH MA GAH. Kim and Kanye are officially engaged!

The engagement was done in their typical low-key style, which meant, for Kanye, renting out AT&T Park in San Francisco for their friends and family and pleading "PLEEEASE MARRY MEEEEE!!!!" on the Jumbotron while a 50-piece orchestra played Lana Del Rey's Young and Beautiful, followed by Keri Hilson, Ne-Yo and Kanye's Knock You Down.

Fireworks and Roman candles were also deployed. And then Stephen Hawking wheeled in to present the ring (just kidding on that last part but honestly, would you even be surprised?).

Just in case you were curious, she agreed to the engagement (her third, for those keeping track at home). Kardashian Instagrammed a picture of her 15-carat Lorraine Schwartz stunner with the caption, "Yes."

You know, let's be happy for them. Maybe they will have a long marriage until one of them finally passes away from too much flash exposure.

They'll pop out some more geographically named children. Kanye will continue on with his leather sweatpant ways while Kim will continue to dress like something out of a couture Century 21. They could be our Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward!

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The home of SeaWorld and a world-famous zoo offers plenty of cash-burning attractions, but San Diego also has awe-inspiring sites that are as free as the sea breeze and go beyond just sunbathing at the beach. You'll soon see this city has matured from its Fast Times at Ridgemont High surf days.

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5 Free things to see in San Diego

Balboa Park

Balboa Park will be marking its 100th anniversary in 2015, although any day is worth a visit to the 485-hectare urban oasis that rivals New York's Central Park and is home to the San Diego Zoo. Balboa Park offers hikes through palm-lined canyons and gardens. At the park's centre are a cluster of museums whose Spanish-Renaissance style buildings were erected in 1915 for a world fair to mark the opening of the Panama Canal.

The Salk Institute

Just west of the UC San Diego campus is The Salk Institute for Biological Studies, which offers free guided tours Monday to Friday. Established in the 1960s by Dr. Jonas Salk, who developed the polio vaccine, the research facility was designed by architect Louis I. Kahn. Salk wanted laboratory spaces that could be adapted to the future needs of science. Kahn designed two, six-storey buildings and used concrete, teak, lead, glass and special steel.

Border Field State Park

San Diego is a border city but it often does not feel like one despite the fact its centre is less than a 20-minute drive to Mexico. The best way to see the border without crossing it is at Border Field State Park, which is at the farthest southwest corner of the United States. The park is free for those who hike in from the parking lot before the main gate. It's about 2.4 kilometres to the picnic area, where visitors can see the towering steel fence marking the border, which plunges into the Pacific.

University of California San Diego

On a mesa above the Pacific, the setting alone is reason to visit the UC San Diego campus. The university's grounds are also dotted by 18 internationally acclaimed art pieces. The most recent installation is Fallen Star by Korean artist Do Ho Suh. The quaint one-room cottage hangs precariously off the seventh storey of the engineering school.

Torrey Pines Glider Port

For spectacular sky gazing, head to Torrey Pines Glider Port, a city-owned, private-use glider airport where paragliders and hang gliders jump off the wind-swept bluffs and silently float over the ocean. During the Second World War, U.S. Army cadets trained at the site, which is listed as a National Landmark of Soaring. Today there are picnic tables. The glider port offers lessons and equipment rental, and sandwiches at the Cliff Hanger Cafe.

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- 2 slices reduced-salt bacon, cooked and chopped
- 4 eggs
- 0.5 ml (1/8 tsp) pepper
- 2 whole-wheat pita pockets
- 1 tomato, sliced
- 1/2 avocado, diced

1. Warm bacon in non-stick skillet over medium heat.

2. In a small bowl, whisk eggs and pepper; pour into skillet. As mixture begins to set, gently move spatula across bottom and sides of skillet to form large, soft curds. Cook until eggs are thickened and no visible liquid egg remains.

3. Cut the pitas in half; open the halves and place tomato slices inside. Spoon in the scrambled eggs and avocado.

Variations

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Another thumbs down? Do not frown!

We aren't buying what you're selling. Five ways things can go your way at your sales job, even after hearing a 'nay'

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Have losses taken the wind out of your sales? Keep your chin up and remember that refusals are a part of any workplace. ISTOCK

When I started my summer co-op in sales, I was filled with nerves.

I was excited to be working one-on-one with clients, but I was also terrified that I would disappoint my employer.

One of the most valuable things I learned from my job in sales is that a sales role can often mean experiencing satisfaction and disappointment in very close proximity. This can be very hard as a new hire without much experience, as you may feel like your failures outweigh your successes.

If you're starting a job in sales, these four tips will help you deal with hearing "no" in a constructive manner!

Treat each "no" separately

When I started my co-op, there were days when all I heard was "no" for the entire morning. I got discouraged easily, so every opportunity that followed a "no" was affected by my deflated attitude.

When starting your sales job, don't let one "no" have a negative impact on the rest of your day. This will lead to you having write-off days, which can hold you back from reaching your full potential.

Remember that "no" is part of the job

You'd love to come away from every opportunity having exceeded expectations, but that just isn't possible in reality.

In any career, you'll need to deal with disappointment and negative outcomes. Keep in mind that everyone goes through these experiences regardless of experience, technique or client base.

Hearing "no" is just a part of sales — use it as an opportunity to rework your strategy and reevaluate your approach with that prospective client.

Keep your confidence up

It might sound cliché, but don't get down on yourself.

A lack of confidence will be reflected in how you come across during a sale. Even if you haven't had the best day for sales, it's important to always treat every sale as if it were your first.

So buck up, choose a smile and push past the negative!

Ask your manager for tips

It's important to recognize opportunities for growth as they arise, so don't be afraid to ask for tips and technique advice from your manager.

During the first week of my co-op I asked my manager if he would be willing to spend some time helping me evaluate my sales strategy and communication skills. Before I knew it, I consistently had the highest sales in my region!

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SPORTS 4

Canucks squeak out 'ugly' win in New York

NHL. Richardson scores in overtime as Vancouver rallies to 5-4 win over Islanders

Canucks forward Ryan Kesler, left, celebrates his first-period goal with Henrik Sedin on Tuesday night in Uniondale, N.Y.
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John Tortorella was pleased his Vancouver Canucks left Long Island with two points he felt they should've had two days earlier in Columbus.

How they got these is another story.

"I thought it was an absolute mess, right on through," the blustery coach said after the Canucks rallied for a 5-4 overtime victory against the New York Islanders on Tuesday night.

"It seems like every time we come into this building ... it turns into a cluster."

The Canucks erased a 2-0 deficit in the first period, a 3-2 hole in the second, and overcame a tying goal by the Islanders' Frans Nielsen with 1:12 left in regulation.

Vancouver improved to 3-1-1 on its seven-game trip that has two stops remaining. This win took a little bit of the sting off a 3-1 loss at Columbus on Sunday.

"I give them credit," Tortorella said. "It was ugly. We made a ton of mistakes, they made a ton of mistakes, but we found a way to win. That's what I was so disappointed in Columbus about. It was a game that good teams win. We didn't.

"Tonight is another type of game where I think if you're going to get there in the end, you have to win."

Brad Richardson provided the deciding goal, banking the puck in off Islanders goalie Evgeni Nabokov 2:16 into overtime with Vancouver's 33rd shot.

The Islanders salvaged a point at the end of their 1-1-2 homestand when with Nabokov pulled, Nielsen fired the rebound of Andrew MacDonald's shot into the open left side, past the outstretched glove of Roberto Luongo to tie it at 4.

Vancouver will play on back-to-back days at New Jersey and St. Louis to finish this long trip. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

Oilers make it two wins in a row

Third-period goals by Edmonton's Jeff Petry and Ryan Jones gave the Oilers a 4-3 victory over the Montreal Canadiens on Tuesday night at the Bell Centre.

Devan Dubnyk made 29 saves for Edmonton (3-6-1). THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL

Kessel nets hat trick to cook Ducks

Phil Kessel scored three goals as the Toronto Maple Leafs recovered from a poor start to defeat Anaheim 4-2 Tuesday, denying the Ducks a club-record eighth straight win. Toronto scored four unanswered goals to climb out of a 2-0 deficit. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NFL

Harvin back at practice for 'Hawks

Percy Harvin was limited in his return to practice for the Seattle Seahawks Tuesday, and when he finally gets into a game is still unknown.

It was his first work with the team since undergoing hip surgery in early August. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World Series

"A ball game can change with one swing of the bat in this ballpark."

Cardinals rookie right-hander Michael Wacha, on pitching under the shadows of the Green Monster at Fenway Park. The World Series gets underway on Wednesday night in Boston.

MLS

Whitecaps announce Y.P. Lee's retirement

Y.P. Lee's illustrious soccer career is coming to an end, after it was announced he will retire at the end of this Major League Soccer season.

The Vancouver Whitecaps announced the retirement of the 36-year-old South Korean defender in a statement on Tuesday.

Lee, who spent two seasons with the Whitecaps, will be honoured prior to kickoff on Sunday. The Whitecaps, now eliminated from playoff contention, will host the Colorado Rapids in the season finale at BC Place Stadium.

"It will be the most memorable game in my life," said Lee in a statement.

"I'm a happy guy. I learned so many things throughout my career, much more than I had expected when I was young. It is a great time to finish with a great team and great people.

"I deeply appreciate our fans, my teammates, and all of the staff in the club. I'm sure Vancouver Whitecaps FC will remain in my mind as my team forever."

Lee, who made three FIFA World Cup appearances for South Korea during his soccer career, proved a valuable pickup for the club's back line.

Last season, with the exception of one game, he played in every minute of every game, scoring one goal and adding four assists.

Only twice this season has he not been in the lineup. CAM TUCKER/METRO

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Review. What looks and drives like a much more expensive car? The 2014 Mazda 3

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You have to expect the unexpected when taking the wheel of the 2014 Mazda3. With seductive looks, comfortable accommodations and impeccable road manners, Mazda's redesigned compact punches well above its weight class when battling the other members of the compact-car field.

Original Mazda3 variations that first arrived for the 2004 model year displayed plenty of swagger and backed it up with surprising levels of basic, down-to-earth goodness. Since then, both sedan and Sport hatchback versions (including the hotrod Mazdaspeed3) have remained popular with legions of folks seeking a car that's as enjoyable to drive as it is to look at.

The new models emulate the mid-size Mazda6 sedan and the CX-5 wagon, which means they no longer wear Cheshire-cat grins affixed to their snouts. Instead, both have adopted Mazda's latest Kodo (Japanese for Soul of Motion) design approach that includes an attractive but less gimmicky grille. The rest of the bodywork is equally tasty from any vantage point.

What has been stretched by six centimetres, however, is the distance between the front and rear wheels. Overall though, the sedan remains similar in total length and provides about the same trunk space, while the hatchback drops five centimetres in length, but magically gains a fair bit of stowage room, whether the rear seats are upright or folded flat.

For the driver there's a single round gauge pod and attendant control knobs and switches that are the essence of simplicity. An 18-centimetre multi-function touch-screen that's perched atop the dashboard's mid-section allows for easy scanning without taking one's eyes off the horizon. An optional heads-up display projects speed and basic directions onto the windshield, again without diverting the driver's attention away from the road. Like its Mazda6 and CX-5 brand mates, the Mazda3 benefits from the automaker's so-called SkyActiv suite of structural and powertrain enhancements. The former includes a stiffer platform as well as suspension and steering components specifically tuned for sports-car-like precision.

But the real show stoppers are the powerplants. The base engine is a 2.0-litre four-cylinder that makes 155 horsepower and 150 pound-feet of torque. Optional is a 2.5-litre four-cylinder with 184 horsepower and 185 pound-feet of torque. Both are available with six-speed manual transmissions, while six-speed automatics are optional.

The optional "i-ELOOP" capacitor charges with electricity during braking to run the 3's various components for extended periods. This means the alternator can be disengaged, thereby cutting drag on the engine. The i-ELOOP functions in the background without the driver being aware of it.

Mazda3 prices start at $17,700 for the base GX sedan that includes the usual power-operated accessories plus push-button start. The base GX Sport hatchback starts at $18,700

Both bodystyles are also available in GS and GT trim, the latter fitted with enough standard and available comfort and safety content to rival many so-called luxury vehicles. Regardless of your choice, the new Mazda3 is an impressive piece of work that will be appreciated by those who really enjoy driving something sporty, but without the space limitations that traditional sports cars impose. And we can all live with that.

2014 Mazda3

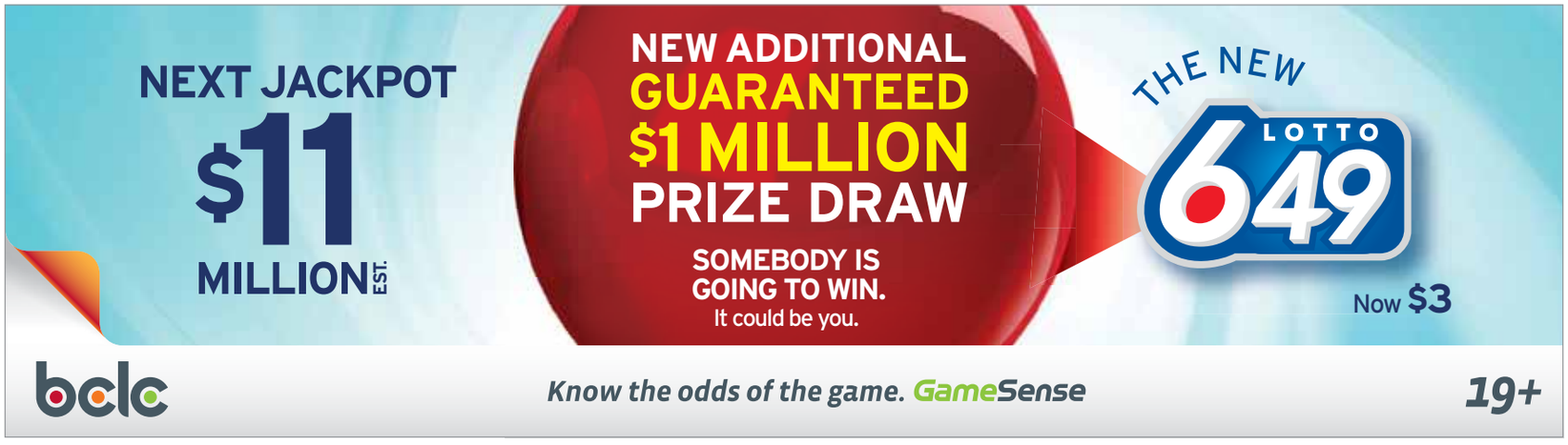
- **Type.** Four-door, front-wheel-drive compact sedan/hatchback
- **Engines (hp).** 2.0-litre DOHC I4 (155); 2.5-litre DOHC I4 (184)
- **Transmissions.** Six-speed manual; six-speed automatic
- **Base price (incl. destination)** $17,700

Fuel Economy

Interestingly, both engines are closely matched in fuel consumption, with the nod going to the 2.0's official rating, with the automatic transmission, of 6.7 l/100 km in the city and 4.7 on the highway. The 2.5 rings up 7.5/5.4, but both numbers improve to 7.1/5.0 with the optional "i-ELOOP" capacitor.

Design

Although the car's front overhang appears more elongated, Mazda's California studio design manager Ken Saward emphatically states that isn't the case and the 3's slightly wider body (by 4.1 centimetres) and a lowered hood are largely responsible for the illusion.



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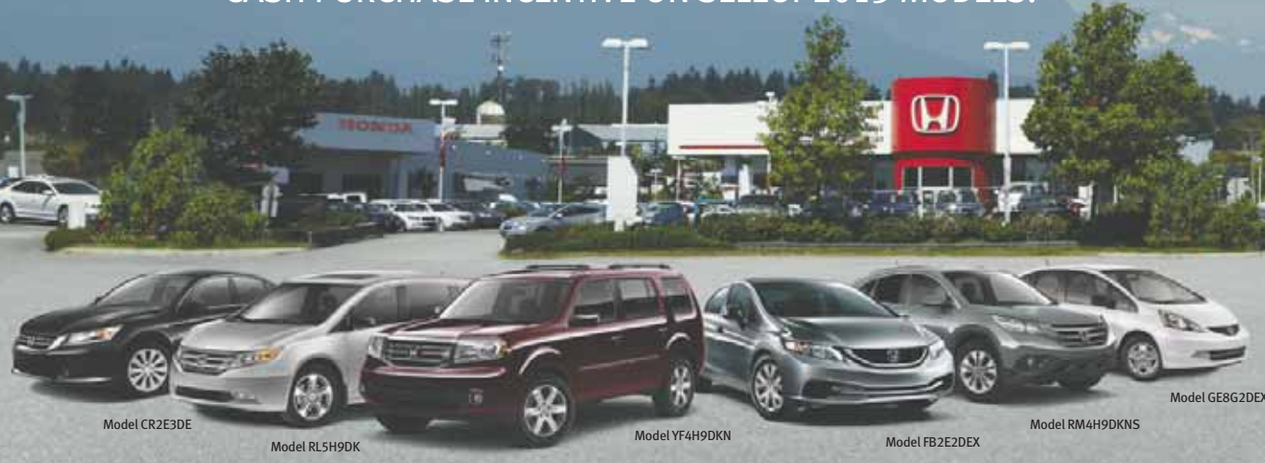

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
You may be suspicious of someone's motives but don't go public about them just yet. There is a chance you are jumping at shadows. Do some checking before your talk.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You will have a change of heart about someone you have not seen eye-to-eye with in recent weeks. Whatever your initial disagreement, it is clear the feud has gone on too long. Let bygones be bygones.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
You need to get the balance right between the time you spend working and having fun. The Sun's change of signs today warns you may have to focus more on work for a while .

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
One of the best times of the year begins for you today and you are eager to get started. But don't throw yourself into something new without thinking about it. What is it you are most creative at? Do that.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
There may be some animosity between you and someone you have to deal with on a day-to-day basis but don't let it get out of hand. Remember that in the greater scheme of things, we all have a role to play.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Keep your ideas to yourself for a few days. If your rivals get an inkling of what you're planning, they may try to beat you to it. You don't want to have to start before you're ready.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Try not to be offended if someone tells you how to run your life today. They only want to be helpful, even though as far as you are concerned they clearly don't know what they are talking about. Play nice.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
What's done is done and cannot be undone, so put what happened yesterday and the day before out of your mind. The Sun moves into your sign today, making this the perfect time to begin anew.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Your main priority now must be to clear all the junk from your life. There's far too much of it. If it's not essential, get rid of it. The less you possess, the more you will accomplish.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Do you care what others think about you? You probably care too much and it's time to put their opinions out of your head and do only what pleases you.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
The Sun crosses the career angle of your chart today, so it won't be long before you are moving up in the world. First though there are tough decisions to be made. Who and what do you really want to be?

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Planets indicate you're thinking of moving away from where you are now, maybe physically or mentally but certainly emotionally. The more you accept change, the more you'll be rewarded. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

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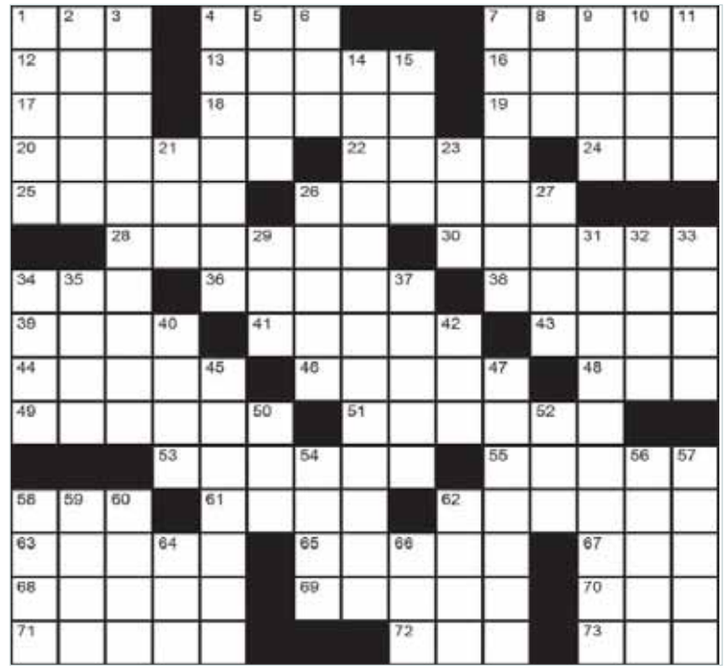
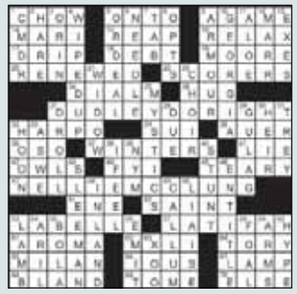


Across
1. One ___ time
4. Sea, in Sherbrooke
7. Was concerned
12. Void, in Montreal
13. Putting into service
16. Lecture from the podium
17. Caesar's 551
18. Sewing kit item
19. Take the top off
20. Elegant touch
22. Soup morsel
24. East: French
25. Ben Heppner's music
26. Pinnacle
28. Fireplace feature
30. Fancily attired
34. Type of antelope
36. Kind of roof
38. Boorish being in Jonathan Swift's novel Gulliver's Travels
39. Geological periods
41. Holy __
43. Yearn
44. Mountain lakes
46. Accountant's review
48. Rug of Scandinavia
49. Drove off the housefly
51. Sizzling
53. Scribe
55. Salts sort
58. SNL part, for short
61. Concept
62. Enchanted attraction
63. Oscar Peterson's instrument
65. Commence
67. Rock-__ (Classic jukebox company)
68. "Bon voyage!"
69. Luciano Pavarotti
70. "The Adventures of __ Tin Tin" ('50s TV series)
71. Is cheese, does this when heated
72. High card
73. Bryan Adams song: "The Best Was __ to Come"

Down
1. "Well... yes __ __." (Indecisive response)
2. Autumn-planted bulb
3. Canadian author born in Wingham, ON: 2 wds. (See #14-Down and #31-Down for more)
4. Ford sports car
5. Spot
6. Copacabana city
7. Shania Twain's music
8. Prince Valiant's son
9. Sprint
10. Flight schedule acronyms
11. Grocery area, for short
14. Swedish-given international honouree's title since 1901: 2 wds.
15. Hidden valley
21. Cenozoic, for one
23. Assistance
26. Something striped
27. Mend
29. Price-putting place
31. Literary work: 2 wds.
32. Big name in TVs
33. __ mat
34. Acquires
35. Old Testament sailor
37. Downy duck
40. Fairytaledom's Miss White
42. Pickle jar topper
45. Really not joking
47. Play-putting-on place
50. Fared
52. Ancient Roman harvest goddess
54. See if it works
56. "Kukla, Fran and __" (Classic puppet TV show)
57. Stood for something
58. Canned meat
59. Military assistant, __-de-camp
60. Pin the __ on the Donkey
62. Alligator-looking creature, commonly
64. Goalkeeper's guardee
66. Anecdotal collection (abbvr.)

Yesterday's Crossword



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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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2	4		7				9	
		5	4		1	7		
		7		6		9	8	
5			3		9			1
	6	9		1		2		
		3	6		5	8		
	5				3		7	9
6	9			2				3

Yesterday's Sudoku

7	2	6	4	8	1	3	9	5
1	9	5	2	7	3	8	6	4
8	4	3	5	6	9	1	2	7
9	5	1	8	3	2	7	4	6
3	6	8	7	4	5	9	1	2
2	7	4	9	1	6	5	3	8
5	3	7	1	2	4	6	8	9
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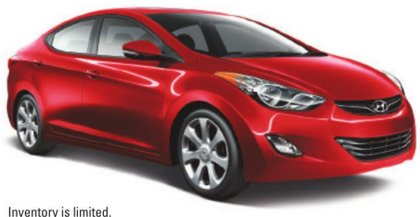

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